

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	*	CRIMINAL NO. 2:08-CR-296
v.	*	SECTION: "C"
CHRISTI NAVIDAD GRANT PONCE	*	
a/k/a Frisco Parotte Santiago		
a/k/a Frisco Marcel Parotte-Santiago	*	
a/k/a Frisco Marcel Parotte Santiago		
a/k/a Marco Antonio Martines Ariola	*	
a/k/a Marvin Munguia		
a/k/a Marvin E. Munguia	*	
a/k/a/ Marco Antonio Martinez		
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FACTUAL BASIS

_____ Should this matter have gone to trial, the government would have proven, through the introduction of competent testimony and admissible, tangible exhibits, the following facts, beyond a reasonable doubt, to support the allegations in the superseding bill of information now pending against the defendant:

The Defendant, **CHRISTI NAVIDAD GRANT PONCE** (hereinafter "**GRANT PONCE**") has agreed to plead guilty as charged to the one-count superseding bill of information charging him with false statements in an application for a passport, in violation

of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1542.

A Diplomatic Security Service agent (hereinafter “agent”) with the United States Department of State would testify that on or about November 7, 2008, a passport application was executed, in person, by **GRANT PONCE** at the United States Post Office in Gretna, Louisiana, in the name of Frisco Parotte Santiago, born in Puerto Rico on September 10, 1975.

GRANT PONCE used a Puerto Rican birth certificate as proof of citizenship. The defendant filed the passport application and took an oath administered by the acceptance clerk, affirming that the information in the application was true and signed the application.

The agent would testify that due to fraud indicators on the aforesaid passport application, a passport specialist in the United States Department of State New Orleans Passport Agency, referred the matter to the Diplomatic Security Service for investigation. As part of his investigation, the agent will testify that on November 25, 2008 **GRANT PONCE** appeared in the New Orleans Passport Agency Office to inquire about his passport.

At that time, the agent interviewed **GRANT PONCE** concerning his application. The defendant was read his Miranda rights. He then admitted that his true and correct name is

Marco Antonio Martinez, born on August 10, 1981 in the Dominican Republic. He also stated that he had purchased the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico certificate of birth for \$250.

ROBERT WEIR Special Assistant United States Attorney Mississippi Bar No. 101464	Date
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CHRISTI NAVIDAD GRANT PONCE Defendant	Date
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SAMUEL SCILLITANI Assistant Federal Public Defender LA Bar Roll No. 21371 Attorney for the Defendant	Date
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